

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments were discussed during a series of telephone conversations with the Examiner that concluded on November 21, 2008. After the conclusion of these discussions, the Examiner agreed that he would enter the foregoing amendments to correct a discrepancy between the Examiner's Amendment dated August 21, 2008, and the formulation of the claims agreed to by the Examiner and Applicants' representative during the telephone interview conducted on August 8, 2008. Specifically, Applicants' representative did not provide authorization to amend Claim 45 to replace "concept type of the input concept instance" with "concept type of each of the input concept instances", as indicated in the Examiner's Amendment.

Accordingly, Claim 45 has been amended to recite "concept type of the input concept instance", as agreed-upon during the interview of August 8, 2008. Entry of these amendments is courteously requested.

In this regard, the Examiner indicated that he had entered a Supplemental Notice of Allowance amending the claims in accordance with the foregoing amendments. The Examiner also indicated that he had revised the Reasons for Allowance in the Supplemental Notice of Allowance to correspond to the foregoing amendments. The Reasons for Allowance should now include language that reads as follows:

"a concept definition request which does not overlap with any existing requests in accordance with a different concept instance rule defined in a concept definition for the concept type of the input concept instance"

REQUEST FOR INITIALED FORM PTO-1449

The Examiner did not initial a non-patent document on the Form PTO-1449 of the Information Disclosure Statement dated November 2, 2001. During the discussions between Applicants' representative and the Examiner on November 21, 2008, the Examiner indicated that he would return an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 for this reference. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested to receive an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 for this reference.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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